

MINUTES

STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

April 10, 2007

Meeting No.52

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Bordenave, Larry Roberts, Bill Zimmerman, John Wise, Jeff Stanley, John Wallace, E. Linwood Smith, Linda Morales, B.J. Voelkel, Nancy Fahringer, John Parker, Jeff Blau

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Smolinsky, Lori Jones Woods

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Dubois, Karen Rahn, Yash Desai, Tina Lee, Manfred Plaschke, Brian Newhouse, Jerry Curless, Brock Nelson, Joseph Linville, Janice Hughes, Meron Kidane, David C. Griffin, Jim McCaslin, Jim Vogelsberg, Elizabeth Eberbach

AGENDA ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:33 a.m. by Larry Roberts.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the SAC introduced themselves.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF SAC MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2007

Linda Morales moved to approve the minutes of March 13, 2007. Bill Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – QUERY TO THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments.

AGENDA ITEM 5 –WASH APPLICATION-UPRC GANTRY CRANE RAIL PROJECT ON RAILROAD WASH

E. Linwood Smith recused himself from the discussion. The applicant proposed to install a Gantry Crane along Railroad Wash (A WASH Ordinance Wash) for 4,000 feet within the 50-foot study area. The area has very little vegetation. The plan also includes a bridge crossing the wash as part of the project. After much discussion, John Wise moved to approve the application. John Wallace seconded the motion. The motion passed 11-0 in favor and one recusal.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – UPDATE ON WASH-ERZ APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Jim Vogelsberg from the Development Services Department stated that the Stormwater Advisory Committee reviewed nine applications last year. He listed the following and gave a brief update on the status of each:

La Mariposa	Sunset Pointe Midvale	Canyon Ridge Apartments
Tucson Spectrum	Wildcat Pass	Voyager RV Park
Sierra Morado	Grant Road Professional Offices	Irvington Place Subdivision

AGENDA ITEM 7 –WEST BRANCH SANTA CRUZ AT SILVERLAKE RD., EROSION ISSUES REVISITED

Larry Roberts stated that he has discussed the problems at the West Branch of the Santa Cruz River with Frank Sousa. When a new cell was installed, the Stormwater Advisory Committee agreed to revisit the site in a few years to see if there were impacts of erosion to the area. Mr. Roberts visited the site and said that there are some erosion and scour problems but he was not sure if they were caused by the new cell or by urbanization upstream.

John Parker made a motion to request that City Staff give the SAC a status report on what short-term and long-term plans are being made to address the erosion issues in the area. E. Linwood Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

Member/Ward Updates

John Bordenave - passed out the report from Ward 1 which included an article from the Arizona Daily Star about the Safe Routes to School program which aims to make Tucson-area streets safer for children who walk and bike to school, an article on some of the problems encountered with washes because they flow through different jurisdictions, and a third article on the different sections of Fairland Stravenue and how different each section is.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The next SAC meeting is set for Tuesday, May 8, 2007 at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Joel Valdez Main Library, Lower Level (LL1) Meeting Room.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m. on a motion by John Wise, seconded by Jeff Blau.